## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Delete the paragraph on page 4, line 30 of the specification.

Delete the paragraph on page 5, line 10 of the specification.

Replace the paragraph on page 5, line 13 of the specification with the following:

Figure 5B shows <u>dynamically assigning a defect management area</u>
using an additionally assigned defect management area,

Delete the paragraph on page 5, between lines 16-17 of the specification.

Replace the paragraph on page 5, between lines 20-21 of the specification with the following:

Figure 6B shows assigning ranges of physical address to a defect management area by assigning an additional physical address

range to an additional defect management area.

Replace the paragraph spanning pages 11-12, between page 11, line 31, and page 12, line 7 of the specification with the following:

Figure 5 shows Figures 5A-5D show dynamically assigning defect management areas. If a file contains multiple remapped blocks, it could happen that to retrieve such a file the drive has jump to various DMAs to get all the blocks. Figure 5A shows a recorded file and remapped logical addresses in a conventional remapping system. A physical address space 40 is schematically represented by a horizontal line. A file 53 recorded in a logically continuous address range, which corresponds to a physical address range 60. The recording area layout defines distributed defect management areas 51,52. In the physical address range three errors 54,55,56 are detected. The first error 54 has been remapped to the first defect management area 51 as indicated by arrow 57, the second error 55 has been remapped to the second defect management area 52 as indicated by arrow 58, and the third error 56 has been remapped to the first defect management area 51 as indicated by arrow 59.

Replace the paragraph on page 14, between lines 3-9 of the specification with the following:

Figure 6 shows Figures 6A-6B shows assigning ranges of physical address to a defect management area. Figure 6A shows assigned physical addresses and remapped defects in a conventional remapping system. A physical address space 40 is schematically represented by a horizontal line. A file 53 recorded in a logically continuous address range. The recording area layout defines a defect management area 52. In the physical address range an error 70 is detected. The error 70 has been remapped to the (remote) defect management area 52 as indicated by arrow 71.